

CHARGED WITH MURDER OF LEE

Five Negroes Are Being Held in the Anderson County Jail.

(Anderson Mail.)

A new turn was taken in the disappearance case of John W. Lee, a well known farmer and carpenter, who disappeared from his home near Piedmont on Monday of Christmas week, when five negroes—four men and a woman—who had been arrested at Piedmont on the charge of having murdered Mr. Lee, or having guilty knowledge of his whereabouts, were brought here and placed in the county jail, following a report that feeling there was so strong against them they might be lynched. The negroes are John Duckworth, Lizzie Duckworth, Alfred Brown, Homer Brown and Fletcher Dickson.

All of the negroes live on the Rogers place, some two and a half miles from Williamston. They were arrested about noon Friday by Officers Goldsmith and Maddox and taken to Piedmont, where they were placed in the town lock-up. Later in the day Sheriff Joe H. M. Ashley was notified that they were being held; that there was some danger of their being roughly handled, and on the advice of Solicitor P. A. Bonham, who was here Friday afternoon, he sent for the negroes, placing them in the county jail. The officers said they found several small crowds congregated about the streets at Piedmont, but that so far as they could see, there was nothing to indicate that a lynching might take place.

So far as can be learned here there is no proof of a positive nature that Mr. Lee has been killed. However, Wm. F. Lee, father of the missing man, has intimated his belief that his son was killed by negroes in the northern part of Anderson county. The negroes in jail were arrested merely on suspicion, one of them, a woman, having recently told a white woman, so it is said, that John W. Lee had stopped at her home on his return from Anderson to his home at Piedmont on the afternoon of the day of his disappearance, and that he was at the time accompanied by the others of the negroes who are under arrest.

Officers who brought the five prisoners here questioned them closely, but were unable to find out anything. It is said that only one of the five knows Mr. Lee, and all declare that they know nothing as to his whereabouts, or anything that might lead to his being found. It is claimed, however, that Wm. F. Lee and the officers who made the arrests have certain other evidence of a more definite nature, tending to connect the negroes with Mr. Lee's disappearance.

Since the day of his disappearance parties have been out looking for some trace of Mr. Lee, but none has been found. He left home riding a bicycle and came to Anderson. Some business was transacted here during the morning, and the last positive trace relatives have of him was when he was in the office of the County Auditor, between 1 and 2 o'clock in the afternoon. After that there were rumors of his having been seen by several parties while apparently on the return trip home, but none of these has been positively verified.

Mr. Lee is 44 years old and well known in the community in which he lived. He is a farmer, but also worked as a carpenter at times, and had worked some in cotton mills. He was a temperate man, and so far as is known, was in the best of health at the time he left home. His mysterious disappearance has created a good deal of interest in the county and throughout this section.

Retiring Brown Consols.

Columbia, Jan. 2.—State Treasurer S. T. Carter said this morning that the amount of taxes collected up to December 31 was \$466,410, as against \$503,645 for the corresponding period of the previous year, a decrease of \$37,235. The amount of income tax collected up to December 31 was \$3,344, as against \$1,016 for the corresponding period of the year before, an increase of \$2,328.

Under the call of the Sinking Fund Commission for \$250,000 of the 4 1/2 per cent redemption brown consol bonds, to be presented for payment on January 1st, Treasurer Carter said this morning that \$180,000 had been turned in for payment to-day, one bank presenting \$121,000 of them. The bonds were paid and will be retired. The Sinking Fund Commission at its meeting next week will appoint a committee to act with Treasurer Carter in cancelling the bonds and retiring them.

Fifteen Injured on Car.

Chicago, Jan. 3.—Fifteen persons, mostly women and children, were seriously injured in a street car collision here to-day. Nearly all the injured were removed unconscious from one of the cars, which was turned on its side. Injuries of a number may result fatally.

WALHALLA HIGH SCHOOL

Following is the honor roll of the Walhalla High School for the month ending December 19, 1913:

Tenth Grade—Lucy Davis 91.8, Luther Davis 96.5, Olive Hunt 93.7, Idan Pitchford 97.3, Tabitha Stribling 94.6.

Ninth Grade—Ethel Davis 92.1, Ansel Umberger 94.3.

Eighth Grade—None.

Seventh Grade—Emmie Ansel, 90.1, Ruth Brown 96, William Bell 94.6, Inez Douthitt 97.2, Carrie Harrison 91.3, Flora Kelley 90.1, Henrietta Klaren 90, Mildred Moore 93.5, Holleman Seaborn 95.5, Lucile White 95.9.

Sixth Grade—Mildred Carter 91.2, Alice Corbin 90, Hugh Macaulay 93.7, William Stribling 92.3.

Fifth Grade—Annie Busch 90.5, Frank Davis 90.3, James Fennell 90.4, Annie Strutton 97, Leonard Strutton 90.7, Inez Todd 91, Eunice White 94, Annie Wilson 96.

Fourth Grade—Kathleen Barton 95.3, Willie Brandt 94.5, Frances Kaufmann 90.1, Henry Klaren 92.7, Willie Klaren 91, Carolyn Rogers 90.3.

Third Grade—Joseph Norton 93, Louis Seaborn 93.8, Clyde Smith 94.4.

Second Grade—Henry Brandt 96, Grace Brown 97, James Burley 93, Carrie Burnside 94.3, Alden Carter 92, Louis Campbell 95.6, Fred Corbin 94, Greta Douthitt 95, Dargan Hutchison 95, Sara Macaulay 95, Lottie Finkenstadt 93, T. S. Todd 92.

First Grade—Louise Brandt 92.7, Lawrence Norton 90, Elizabeth Thode 92.3.

Marriages by Rev. Tramel.

Married, on December 25th, at the home of the groom's father, James Bryant, Miss Eliza Cooper and Rowland Bryant, both of the Pleasant Ridge section of the county. Immediately after the ceremony the young couple left for the home of the bride's mother, where they were extended hearty congratulations and good wishes by numerous friends.

At Holly Springs, on December 28, just after services at the church, Miss Tommy Mulkey, of Westminster, and I. J. Butt, of Toxaway, were happily married. The young couple have the good wishes of many friends. Both ceremonies were performed by Rev. J. B. Tramel.

John Lind's Visit to President.

Gulfport, Miss., Jan. 3.—President Wilson to-day announced his conference with John Lind had developed no change in the administration's policy toward Mexico, and no new plan or move in the situation had been decided upon. The President referred to the conference as a "get-together talk for mutual information, which is worth more than weeks of dispatches," and said the conference covered the whole Mexican field. He also said his views of the situation had not changed.

Through Canal in Seventy Days.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The Panama Canal will be in condition to pass vessels all the way across the isthmus within the next seventy days, it was learned to-day, unless unexpected obstacles are encountered. This is the judgment of a high canal official, who declines to fix the date more definitely.

The only remaining obstacles to prevent the passage of vessels now are the Cucaracha slide, which blocks the cut at Culebra, and other small slides in the same locality. Dredging is progressing satisfactorily on these slides.

Head of Southern to Speak.

Anderson, Jan. 3.—Fairfax Harrison, new president of the Southern Railway, has accepted an invitation to deliver the principal address at the annual meeting and banquet of the Anderson Chamber of Commerce, to be held in this city on February 24th. Other speakers will be General Manager W. S. Lee, of the Greenville, Spartanburg and Anderson Traction Company, and A. W. Anderson, superintendent of the Charleston and Western Carolina Railway.

The local Chamber of Commerce has over 400 members and at the banquet plates will be provided for about 600 guests. Officers of the various commercial organizations in North and South Carolina and Georgia will be invited.

Dr. R. D. Smart Seriously Ill.

Greenwood, Jan. 3.—Dr. Richard D. Smart, one of the most gifted ministers of the Methodist church, is seriously ill in a hospital at Charlottesville, Va., where he has been making his home for some time. He has been in bad health for the past two or three years and has gradually grown worse. His condition is regarded as hopeless.

ANOTHER FIRE AT SENECA.

Residence of S. K. Dendy, Jr., Was Threatened—Brief Local News.

Seneca, Jan. 6.—Special: Seneca was visited by another fire Monday morning about 7 o'clock. The home of S. K. Dendy, Jr., was found to be burning, and it was thought at one time that it would be lost, but quick work saved the building with comparatively little damage. Fire originated in a closet of the family bedroom and the bulk of the wearing apparel was injured so as to be totally unfit for use. There was no insurance.

There is a decided lull in social affairs since the return of our school boys and girls to their respective places of learning.

Dr. John Hopkins has been quite sick for ten days, but he is reported better. His friends will hope to see him out again soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren R. Davis celebrated their silver wedding last Thursday afternoon at their home a few miles below Seneca, at which a number of relatives and friends were invited from town. It was a delightful occasion and evoked the good wishes of a host of friends for "Many happy returns."

The Once-a-Week Club held a pleasant meeting with Mrs. L. W. Verner last week. An interesting contest was engaged in, in which the members were asked to form an acrostic from the club name embodying New Year's resolutions. The judges decided that a draw was necessary to decide the best of so many clever efforts, and in this Mrs. J. T. Holleman was lucky in securing the prize, a pretty jewel case.

An interesting affair of the past week in the young social circle was a party given by Warren Gignilliat to the members composing a camping party to the mountains. Only the members of the camp, and their chaperon, Mrs. J. W. Byrd, were invited, and the decorations and refreshments suggested the delightful trip of two summers ago. Those present were Misses Nellie and Nancy Hines, Sue Ellen Hunter and Louise Lawrence; Charley Byrd, Thornley Carey, Oscar Doyle and Warren Gignilliat; Mrs. J. W. Byrd.

South Union Items.

South Union, Jan. 5.—Special: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Davison, of Atlanta, are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Marett.

Misses Clara and Felicia Holloway and Ben Brown, of Canon, Ga., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Casey last week.

George Harris, of Clemson College, and Paul Marett, of Seneca High School, have returned after spending the holidays at home.

Miss Lanthé Casey, who is attending school at Six-Mile, and spent two weeks' vacation at home, returned Sunday, accompanied by Misses Nellie and Vannie Crawford, who will enter the school at that place.

W. P. Yates spent the holidays with homefolks, returning to Atlanta, where he has a position with the Southern Express Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Glymph are entertaining a little daughter at their home.

Master Dave Cole, of Anderson, has been visiting relatives here.

Marriage at Townville.

Townville, Jan. 6.—Special: Married, last Sunday evening, January 4th, at the home of the officiating minister, Rev. Mr. Hawkins, at Townville, Miss Lucy Moore and J. E. Woolbright. The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Moore and one of Shiloh's most beautiful and accomplished young ladies, while the groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. William Woolbright, of Townville, and is a prominent young farmer of Cherry's. We join with many other friends of this promising young couple in wishing them a long and happy life.

Corn Exposition Delegates Named.

Delegates to the National Corn Exposition, which meets this year at Dallas, Texas, February 10-24, were named last Saturday by Commissioner E. J. Watson to attend on the part of the State of South Carolina. W. W. Long and J. N. Harper, of Clemson, are among those named as delegates. The South Carolina exhibit will be in charge of Prof. H. W. Barre, of Clemson College, and four Clemson demonstrators will be in the party. The South Carolina exhibit will be co-operatively sent by Clemson and the department of agriculture.

Many Thousands Executed.

It is officially estimated that 24,000 executions were carried out in the province of Sza Chuen, China, in 1913. Most of those killed were robbers, but a large number were political offenders. It is hinted by officials that the actual figures regarding the executions would probably largely exceed the estimate.

Ninteen=Thirteen

Is past and gone, and the New Year is upon us. We do thank our customers who have stood by us so nobly in the past and given us the best trade we ever had, and we are determined to make this year a better one. We cannot stand still. We must grow, and if fair treatment and square dealing counts for anything we will do it.

Watch this space and keep in touch with us.

NEVER UNDERSOLD WHEN QUALITY IS CONSIDERED.

W. S. HUNTER, Seneca.

NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that on TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 1914, an election will be held in Walhalla, South Carolina, for the election of Municipal Officers for the said town for a term of two years. The officers to be elected are: Mayor, six Aldermen and four members of the Board of Health.

Polls will be open at the usual voting place at Walhalla Court House continuously from 8 o'clock a. m. until 4 o'clock p. m.

The following have been appointed Managers to conduct said election: H. C. Busch, C. L. Reid, Thomas A. Grant.

W. M. BROWN, Mayor.
Jas. M. Moss, Clerk Council.
Dec. 10, 1913. 50-1

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT AND DISCHARGE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will make application to V. F. Martin, Judge of Probate for Oconee County, in the State of South Carolina, at his office at Walhalla Court House on Friday, the 23d day of January, 1914, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, or as soon thereafter as said application can be heard, for leave to make final settlement of the estate of John Joost, deceased, and obtain final discharge as Administratrix of said estate.

(MRS.) MARY M. JOOST, Administratrix of the Estate of John Joost, Deceased.
Dec. 24, 1913. 52-2

TO OCONEE STOCK RAISERS

I have at my farm near Westminster a Registered Jersey Bull, Princess' Butter Boy, No. 106078. This animal is of perfect markings, and was bred by Samuel G. Engle, Marietta, Pa.

Princess' Butter Boy is a son of Princess of Donegal 138005, who has second best one-day Jersey record in the United States. She has a milking record of eight years without standing dry a day. She has a milk and butter record of 8,700 pounds of milk and 611 pounds of butter in one year.

Princess' Butter Boy was sired by Letty Rioter's Son 2d (78822), American Jersey Cattle Club record. Letty Rioter has a butter record of 24 pounds and 2 ounces in seven days, and her dam, Letty Coles 2d (48128), has a butter record of 21 pounds and 8 ounces in seven days. Fee for service, \$3.00.

J. H. BARNETT, Westminster, Route No. 4.
(Will pay extra price for heifer calves sired by Princess' Butter Boy.)

MAGISTRATE'S SUMMONS TO DEFENDANTS.

The State of South Carolina, County of Oconee,
(In the Court of Magistrate.)
John F. Craig, Plaintiff,
against

United Surety Company, a Corporation Created by and Existing Under the Laws of the State of Maryland, and J. Eustace Hopkins, Defendants.

(Summons to Defendants.)

To the Above Named Defendants: Complaint having been made unto me by the above named Plaintiff that United Surety Company is indebted to him in the sum of thirty-two and 50-100 dollars for unearned premium on surety bond, and that the Defendant, J. Eustace Hopkins, is the custodian of funds of said United Surety Company to the amount of twenty-four dollars, and is necessary party to this action:

These are, therefore, to require you to appear before me, in my office in Walhalla, S. C., on the 21st day after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service, at 10 o'clock a. m., to answer the complaint of said Plaintiff, or judgment will be awarded for the said Plaintiff for the possession of the property described in his affidavit, together with the costs and disbursements of this action.

Given under my hand and seal at Walhalla, S. C., this 23d day of December, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.
(Seal.) A. P. CRISP, Magistrate.
Jan. 7, 1914. 1-4

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